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SUBJECT: FRG ARMS EXPORT POLICY REVIEW ON CO-PRODUCED
ITEMS

1. A CHANCELLERY OFFICIAL RESPONSIBLE FOR ARMS EXPORT
ISSUES INFORMED US ON OCTOBER 15 THAT THE FRG WAS
CURRENTLY REVIEWING ITS POLICY REGARDING HOW TO DEAL
WITH THE PROBLEM OF THE EXPORT OF MILITARY HARDWARE
WHICH IS CO-PRODUCED. THE OFFICIAL POINTED OUT THAT
THE GERMANS ARE INVOLVED IN MANY JOINT PRODUCTION
VENTURES SUCH AS THE ALPHA JET, TRANSALL TRANSPORT
AIRCRAFT, MILAN AND ROLAND MISSILES.

2. ALTHOUGH THE REVIEW WAS UNDERWAY, THE OFFICIAL SAID
NO DECISION COULD BE EXPECTED FOR A MONTH OR SO. HE
EXPRESSED THE BELIEF THAT THERE WOULD BE NO RADICAL
CHANGE IN THE FRG'S HITHERTO RESTRICTIVE ARMS EXPORT
POLICY, ALTHOUGH HE IMPLIED THAT THE POLICY REVIEW
MIGHT RESULT IN A MORE LIBERAL INTERPRETATION OF THE
FRG'S POSITION REGARDING THE EXPORT OF CO-PRODUCED
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